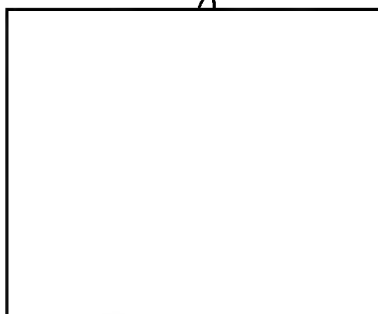
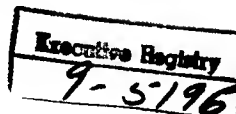


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Colonel Baird is a dedicated officer and has rendered outstanding service to this Agency in the intelligence and training fields. He has effectively met with superior qualifications the many technical and organizational demands placed upon him. It should be noted that in the fulfillment of his duties, Colonel Baird's Reserve status has been most useful.

I recommend approval of Colonel Baird's application for membership in the Air Force Retired Reserve under the provisions of paragraph 11 c (8) of AFR 45-5, dated 27 June 1956.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

C. P. Cabell  
Lieutenant General, USAF  
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